has reported that there is no plan to constitute the Grievance Commission for the National Capital Territory of Delhi to take care of complaints against the functioning of its various agencies connected with public utility services. There is also no proposal to appoint Ombudsman. A Grievance Redressal and Anti-Corruption Cell is functioning in the Secretariat of Govt. of NCT of Delhi at 5, Sham Nath Marg, Delhi-54 under the direct supervision of Secretary (AR) and Chief Secretary, Delhi since 1985. In other departments of Govt. of NCT of Delhi senior level officers have been nominated as Grievances Redressal Officers/Nodal Officers to hear the grievances.

(f) and (g) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Smuggling of Essential Commodities

3685. SHRI BHADRESHWAR GOHAIN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that there is rampant corruption and smuggling of essential commodities in the international borders of North East; and

(b) what immediate steps are taken by Government to stop the smuggling of essential commodities specially to Bangladesh from Assam ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED) : (a) The Government are aware of smuggling of essential commodities along the Indo-Bangladesh border. There are also reports about some cases of corruption.

(b) A number of measures, including reduction of gaps between BOPs, intensification and increase in patrols, errection of OP Towers, use of night vision devices, construction of border roads and fences along sensitive stretches have been taken to check smuggling.

Accidental Deaths

3686. SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem which appeared in the Times of India of 18th February, 1993 entitled "After an accident every minutes can save a life";

(b) whether it is a fact that more than eight lakh people have died in road accidents after independence, over 50 per cent of them in the last decade; and

(c) whether Government are propagating the idea that those helping the accident victims would be rewarded suitably ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) For the present no such scheme has been formulated.

Dealing of Arms by some Foreign Companies through M/s. Dsilva Locomotives, Europe

3687. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that M/s. Dsilva Iocomotives, Europe (India), Nagoa, Verna, Selcette, Goa, are representing some foreign companies dealing in arms and ammunition;

(b) if so, what are the names of such companies and whether the above companies also engaged in supplying guns and other arms including AK-47 to some private organisations without the permission of Government; and

(c) if so, what are the complete details thereof and action taken against the company by Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) to (c) Facts are being ascertained and will be laid on the Table of the House.